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Notice.
For sale, 900 acres of land,
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NOTICE.
Parties putting papers in
my hand for execution will
please advance the fees with
the papers and they will re-
ceive prompt attention, other-
wise they will be returned
not executed for the want of
fees. D. F. BARD SHFF.

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I would like to say to my friends
in Watauga and surrounding
counties, that I have now on hand
and am receiving every week, a
nice line of

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When you come to Lenoir,
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and see me. I solicit your cus-
toms. Orders filled promptly by
mail. Most Resp.
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

"Harrison has got nigger
on the brain," said a mem-
ber of the republican Nation-
al Committee who had just
come from the White House
to a friend whom he is back-
ing for the vacancy on the
bench of the Court of Claims.
"Yes sir," he continued ex-
citedly, "you may not believe
it, but it's so all the same,
he actually wants to have
a nigger judge in the Court
of Claims." How much more
this man and disappointed
individual might have said
will never be known, as his
friend succeeded in persuad-
ing him to leave the hotel
lobby and go to a private
room, where he could relieve
his mind without being over-
heard. It is understood to
be a fact that Mr. Harrison
wants to appoint a negro
to this vacancy. If he does
it there will be a howl from
the society folks, as these po-
sitions have heretofore con-
ferred the highest social pri-
vileges upon the families of
the judges. But the social in-
fluence in Washington usual-
ly succeeds in getting what
it wants, and if it turns its
batteries upon the White
House Mr. Harrison will
probably be glad to provide
for his "nigger" elsewhere
than on the bench of the
Court of Claims.

Present indications are
that all pretense of carrying
out the Civil Service reform
law is to be thrown to the
winds for the rest of this ad-
ministration and the Federal
machine worked for all it is
worth in behalf of the desper-
ate republican party. The
first step in that direction is
to be the appointment of one
of the most notorious spoils-
men ever in Congress, ex-Rep-
resentative McComas, of Mar-
ryland, to be a member of the
Civil Service Commission.
McComas, who represented a
district adjacent to Wash-
ington, used to spend more
than half of his time in the
Government department in
search of patronage for his
henchmen, and upon one oc-
casion he actually threatened
to use his power as chairman
of the House sub-committee
on Appropriations for the
District of Columbia, to de-
feat necessary items in the
appropriation bill unless his
demands for appointment
under the District govern-
ment were granted. He is a
nice sort of a fellow to make
a Civil Service Commissioner,
out of. He will be as much
out of place as would the old
boy in the pulpit. He is to
succeed Lyman, who has been
under a cloud ever since it
was proven that he promot-
ed his brother-in-law after he
had been caught selling a list
of the questions to be asked
in an examination.

Mr. Harrison has been here
a week tomorrow, but owing
to the continued wrangling
among those who claim the
right to advise him, he has
made but little headway mak-
ing appointments. Satur-
day ex-Representative Mor-
row was appointed United

States Judge for the north-
ern district of California, and
it is expected that the vacan-
cies on the Interstate Com-
merce Commission will be filled
this week.

The uncrowned Czar, Tom
Reed, who will soon sing a
very different tune, and the
dyspeptic and vitriolic In-
galls, once a power in the
north end of the Capitol, are
both in town, but as neither
of them are on especially good
terms with the present occu-
pant of the White House it is
not thought that they are
expecting or seeking any fa-
vors from the administra-
tion.

If any doubt had remained
in the minds of Washington
people of the power of the
"pull", which Acting Read Ad-
miral Walker has upon Secre-
tary Tracy, it would have
been removed by a recent oc-
currence. Several days ago
Secretary Tracy issued an un-
official order detaching the
Chicago, which is Admiral
Walker's flag ship, from the
squadron of evolution and
ordering it to Rio Janeiro,
as the flagship of the South
Atlantic squadron. Admiral
Walker, who had made his
arrangements to have the Chi-
cago participate in the au-
tumn naval maneuvers near
Newport—this political sail-
or with a "pull" never per-
mits his vessel to get out of
reach of a pleasant port—
had no idea of letting her go,
so when he heard of the Sec-
retary's order he came from
New York to Washington as
fast as his "limited" could
bring him, and after half an
hour's conference with Secre-
tary Tracy he succeeded in
getting the order detaching
his flagship rescinded, notwith-
standing the ugly hole in
which it puts Secretary Tra-
cy, who had promised Admi-
ral Benham, who is Walker's
senior, the Chicago to carry
him to South American wa-
ters and to allow it to re-
main there as his flagship.
Walker's wonderful "pull" is
talked of everywhere, and if
Secretary Tracy could hear
some of the comments he
would feel very small.

Ohio republicans here are
howling because of the "stand
and deliver" circulars they
have received, telling them
just how much each one of
them must chip in for the O-
hio campaign. The Furker
men say that all the money
goes to help Sherman, and
for that reason they hate to
"contribute" but seeing the
official headsman's ax raised
they dare not refuse, and the
Civil Service Commissioners—
oh, they are away on vaca-
tion.

Subscribers, who are annoy-
ed by dead beats, misers and
other nuisances that appro-
priate their paper to their
own pleasure and profit, will
please send the names of such
persons into this office. If they
are able to subscribe and pay
for the paper their names
will be framed. If not, then
that's all right. —[Concord
Standard.]

Many persons are taken
down from the list of bonded debt-
holders from Eastern Kentucky
who, like certain persons named
and others named, did not

MISSING SINCE SHILOH.

One of the most remarkable
cases that has ever been
brought to the attention of
the Bureau of Pensions is that
of Wm. Newby, a private of
Co. "D" Fortieth Regiment
Illinois Volunteers. This reg-
iment was commanded by
Col. Stephen G. Hicks, of Illi-
nois, and was conspicuous for
its gallantry at the battle of
Shiloh. Newby was at this
battle on the 6th of April,
'65, and was reported "killed
in action." It seems, how-
ever, that instead of being killed
he received a severe wound
of the head, and was captured
and sent to the rear by the
Confederate forces, and was
imprisoned at Belle Isle, and
was afterward transferred to
Andersonville.

It seems that he was released
in the course of time, and
was in poorhouses in various
parts of the South. He was
finally taken to Key West,
Fla., by a gentleman who re-
cognized him as a kinsman.
Here he remained until some
time in '69, when his uncle
died. Newby wandered from
place to place, and finally
turned up at Shreveport, La.
While there the colored peo-
ple made up a purse, and he
was given passage on a boat
to Cincinnati. On the way up
the river the steamer landed
at Shawneetown, Ill. Newby,
hearing this name called out,
seemed to recognize some-
thing that was familiar and
got off the boat. From
here he wandered to Kankakee,
Ill., where he was in the
poorhouse for a time. Leav-
ing this place he struck out
southward, and at last reached
McLeansborough, in Ham-
lin county, Ill., and was sent
to the poorhouse.

During these years he was
in a demented state border-
ing upon insanity, the sup-
posed result of the wound in
the head. In wandering a-
bout he finally went over in-
to White county, and when
he got near his old home he
was seen and recognized by
two of his comrades who had
served in the regiment with
him. His wife was sent for
and she identified him, as did
his relatives and many of his
friends and comrades.

After Newby was reported
as "killed in action" his wife
applied for a pension. It was
granted, and she has been
drawing a widow's pension
from the date of his death
to the present time. The sol-
dier has filed a claim for a
pension, and it is now receiv-
ing the consideration of the
office, the claim of the widow
being suspended in the mean-
time. No discharge has ever
been granted to the soldier,
and the consideration of his
pension claim is being post-
poned until such time as the
Secretary of War shall grant
the man a discharge.

The soldier has been sepa-
rated from his family for a
period of twenty-nine years,
they believing all the while
that he was dead, and now he
reappears a distressed, de-
mented old man. His case
has attracted great atten-
tion in the southern part of
Illinois, and has excited the

sympathy of all who have be-
come acquainted with it. He
recently attended a large re-
union of old veterans of his
county, where the subject was
the theme of conversation.

The pension will, no doubt,
soon be granted, and he will
receive a sufficient sum to
smooth his way to the end of
his life.

Why the Difference.

The meanest man under
the blue dome of heaven is he
who in a still and silent hour
seeks to rob youth and inno-
cence of its purity and virtue.
Yet thousands and thou-
sands of men whose voices
are laden with the fumes of
hell, and whose actions are
acts of vilest selfishness,
stand around on the street
corners and boast of their
deviltry, and still hold a
high place in society circles.
When a woman receives the
slightest blot on her charac-
ter she is ostracised—she is
doomed and damned—and
only too often a wise and
merciful creator who alone
sympathizes with her sends
death to remove her from
the sneers and jeers of brutal
humanity. And a man may
do anything he pleases, and
society sets no law by which
he pays for his wrong doing.
He may rob her who has
been his best friend of her in-
nocence; he may hang the
eternal curtain of night over
the brightest life and light he
knows; and she alone is pun-
ished while her transgressor goes
free. Now why this difference?
What is wrong for a woman
to do is wrong for a man to
do. What will blur a wo-
man's character ought to blot
a man's character. Why
don't the women of the land
make such requisites of men
as men make of women?
Then our society would not
be so rotten, and women
would have some protection.
—Concord Standard.

The Winston Sentinel says:
"Evangelist Fife is holding a
series of meetings in Clinton,
N. C., the county seat of Samp-
son, this week. The evangel-
ist once ran a bar-room in
that town, and it was there
that he rolled a barrel of
whisky on the sidewalk when
he heard that Cleveland was
elected, and set it up to the
crowd present, and came
near making Sampson coun-
ty drunk."

Death of Hon. Wm. L. Scott.

NEWPORT, R. I. Sept. 20.—
Ex-Congressman W. L. Scott
is dead. His demise was very
sudden, and occurred shortly
before midnight last night.
Mr. Scott had long been a
sufferer from acute gastro-in-
testinal catarrh, and two
weeks ago he was brought
here from his home in Erie,
Pa.

The Male Punished.

"De off mule done broke he
left him leg dis mornin, mas-
sa," said Mose.
"How did he come to do
that?" asked Col. White.
"It was his own fault mas-
sa. When dis yer darkey's
back was turned de wulfess
animile he kick me on de head,
masa." —New York Epoch.

A Tough Log to Split.

Colonel Polk is not large e-
nough a wedge for the work
of splitting the solid South,
which he is reported to have
undertaken on contract with
Northern Republican third
party politicians. So long as
democratic supremacy means
what it does mean and has
meant ever since the war—
that is, the safety of society
and the integrity of the gov-
ernment, State as well as Na-
tional—the South, which un-
der providence, has been able
to rule its people by intelli-
gence and sound policy, will
always be solid, in spite of
the devices that may be in-
vented for its disintegration.
The most of the good Al-
liancemen in the South are
good Democrats, loving their
States and valuing the estab-
lishment under which they
and their families live in peace
and whatever prosperity
they may attain; and the
more they read and examine
public questions the more
steadfastly they adhere to
original political lines and
principles which constitute
their sheet anchor. It is all
right to be an Allianceman;
but it is still better to be a
staunch democrat along with
it. An Allianceman or a
Democratic Allianceman is
the way the name should be
spelled everywhere. —Norfolk
Landmark.

The adjournment of the
Tennessee legislature without
action on the convict lease
question leaves the way open
for the miners in east Tennes-
see to renew their opposition
to convict labor in that re-
gion. Gov. Buchanan will
doubtless construe the failure
of the assembly to relieve him
from his embarrassing situa-
tion as an expression of the
legislative will that he should
use the power of the State to
enforce the laws of the stat-
ute book.

Kentucky Miners to Release Convicts.

A Louisville dispatch says:
Governor Buchanan, of Ten-
nessee, today wired Govern-
or Brown, of Kentucky, that
he had reliable information
that Kentucky miners were
preparing to release the con-
victs in the mines at Brice-
ville, Tenn. He says the same
men have before invaded Ten-
nessee and released convicts.
He ask Gov. Brown to re-
press this lawlessness. Gov.
Brown replied that he would
do all in his power to pre-
vent the trouble anticipated,
but called Gov. Buchanan's
attention to the fact that
Kentuckians doing unlawful
acts in Tennessee are liable
to punishment under the laws
of that State.

Indeed, we have understood
that there was a strong pub-
lic sentiment demanding that
the State should not lower
the flag to the mining ele-
ment. Under the circumstan-
ces it seems not unlikely that
this matter may breed dis-
turbances. We hope, how-
ever, that good sense and good
citizenship may prevent any
unfortunate results. —Obser-
ver.

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